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HOUSE RESOLUTION 52
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A RESOLUTION To honor and congratulate Mona Kay Vaughan
on the celebration of her 50th birthday.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pay tribute to those citizens who are celebrating special occasions in their estimable lives; and

WHEREAS, Mona Kay Vaughan will soon celebrate her 50th birthday, a milestone that will be commemorated as yet another precious souvenir of life's rich pageant; born in Kansas City on the 19th day of April, she was baptized Monica Katherine White; and

WHEREAS, As a young girl, Mrs. Vaughan moved to Joplin, Missouri, where she attended St. Peter's Catholic School for 8 years; an avid and accomplished bowler, she won numerous trophies with her high scores; and

WHEREAS, After attending Florissant's McCluer High School for one year, she moved to England in 1967; while there, she attended the Convent of the Sacred Hearts, played field hockey, learned to drive, excelled as a student, and completed her prep education; and

WHEREAS, Mona Kay Vaughan earned a Bachelor of Science in business from Missouri Southern State College, where she met her beloved Mike; following her May graduation, Mona Kay White was joined in holy matrimony with Mike Vaughan on August 11, 1971; and

WHEREAS, The young Mrs. Vaughan began her career as a research analyst for the Missouri House of Representatives; later, she became a licensed insurance agent and worked with her husband in their insurance agency in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Following a promotion, the Vaughans relocated to Murfreesboro in 1982 and soon became highly respected members of the Murfreesboro community; and

WHEREAS, In September of 1987, Mona Kay Vaughan joined the Rutherford County Chamber of Commerce as an administrative assistant; in January of 1995, she was promoted to the newly-created position of Tourism Director and has served with acumen and alacrity in that capacity through the present time; and

WHEREAS, As Conventions and Visitors Bureau Director, Mrs. Vaughan has been actively involved with the ABA, Bank Travel, Nashville Attractions Coalition, Circle Nashville, and TSAE; she currently is the chairperson of the Greater Nashville Regional Council on Tourism, in which position she has won the respect and admiration of her peers for the tremendous quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, She is committed to serving her community to her utmost ability and has taken many steps to increase her already outstanding professional knowledge; she participated in the Middle Tennessee State University Leadership and Management Institute, graduated in 1998 from Leadership Rutherford, and has completed her first year of the Southeast Tourism Society's Marketing College in Dahlonega, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mona Kay Vaughan is devoted to maintaining the highest standard of family values, and she and her husband's blessed union has produced one cherished daughter, Erin Bogdan; Mrs. Vaughan is also the proud and loving grandmother of one grandson, Anthony Bogdan; and

WHEREAS, As she approaches her 6th decade, we wish to take this golden opportunity to specially recognize one of Tennessee's most outstanding citizens on this very special occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor and congratulate Mona Kay Vaughan on the celebration of her 50th birthday and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.